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In accordance with applicant's duty of disclosure under 37 C.F.R. §1.56, please find attached hereto form PTO-1449 listing information which may be material to the patentability of this application, filed August 21, 2003

We are enclosing copies of German Patent Application No. 28 39 635; European Patent Application No. EP 1 252 854 and British Search Report Application No. 0317816.7.

It should be understood that attention has been called to the references that have been deemed to be pertinent to the claimed present invention. In concluding what was pertinent, the criteria employed was considered most appropriate in light of

the invention shown in the present application. However, the Examiner or others may deem some other criteria to be just as appropriate or more appropriate.

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